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Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Cancelled)

Claim 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) ~~Covering equipment~~ An accessory mat according to claim 1 + 8, wherein the latching elements of the binding ~~is provided with~~ are hook-and/or-loop elements both on its bottom face and on its top face.

Claim 4 (Cancel)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) ~~Covering equipment~~ An accessory mat according to claim 1 + 8, wherein the binding is ~~fitted~~ attached to the mat by stitching, heat-sealing or adhesive.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended) ~~Covering equipment~~ An accessory mat according to claim 1 + 8, wherein the latching elements of the binding ~~are is provided with~~ hook-and/or-loop elements disposed over substantially the its entire length of the binding.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) ~~Covering equipment~~ An accessory mat according to claim 1 + 8, wherein the latching elements of the bonding ~~includes~~ include male and female hook-and-loop elements disposed in random or intermittent manner on the binding.

Claim 8 (New) An accessory mat for a vehicle provided with an original floor carpet, the original floor carpet having bristles in the form of naps or piles the accessory mat comprising:

a mat for covering an area of the original floor carpet, the mat having side edges;

on at least two of the side edges, a peripheral binding consisting essentially of a top face,

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a side face, a bottom face and latching elements for gripping directly the bristles of the original floor carpet.

Claim 9 (New) The accessory mat of claim 8, wherein the latching elements are hook elements positioned only on the bottom face.

Claim 10 (New) An accessory mat for a vehicle provided with an original floor carpet, the original floor carpet having bristles in the form of naps or piles the accessory mat comprising:

a mat for covering an area of the original floor carpet, the mat having side edges;

on at least two of the side edges a peripheral binding consisting essentially of a top face, a side face, a bottom face and hooks for gripping directly the bristles of the original floor carpet.

Claim 11 (New) An accessory mat for a vehicle provided with an original floor mat having bristles in the form of naps or piles, the accessory mat comprising on at least two side edges, a peripheral providing on at least its bottom face hook elements adapted to grip directly to the bristles of the original floor mat.

Claim 12 (New) The accessory mat of claim 11 wherein the peripheral binding is in the form of a braid.